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1. AS PART OF ITS CAMPAIGN TO GAIN A POLITICAL HEARING ABROAD, F POLISARIO HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN BRUSSELS OCTOBER 2 (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO A SPANISH ACCOUNT IN THE INDEPENDENT "YA" NEWSPAPER, F POLISARIO REPS MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. SPANISH PRESENCE OR MOROCCAN OCCUPATION AMOUNTS TO THE SAME THING. F POLISARIO WOULD RESIST ANY "MOROCCAN MILITARY ADVENTURE AGAINST THE SAHARAN PEOPLE".

B. THE VIABILITY OF A SELF-GOVERNING SAHARA DEPENDS ON THE PHOSPHATE, OIL, AND FISHING RESOURCES.

C. F POLISARIO'S POLITICAL PROGRAM AIMS AT CREATION OF "NATIONAL REPUBLICAN REGIME" BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF UNCLASSIFIED

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PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE AND ANTI-COLONIALISM, BELIEVING

THAT "ALGERIAN REVOLUTION IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT" IN
PUTTING AN END TO "MANEUVERS AGAINST THE THIRD WORLD".
F POLISARIO REPS EXPRESSED UNCERTAINTY WHEN ASKED ABOUT
POSSIBLE ALGERIAN HELP IN THE EVENT OF MOROCCAN MILITARY
ATTACK AGAINST SAHARA.
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